

93/2017
Act
on the National Framework for Qualifications and Other Competence Modules

In accordance with the decision of the Parliament, the following is enacted:

Section 1
Scope

This Act shall apply to the qualifications and basic education and general upper secondary education syllabi governed by the following acts and by decrees issued by virtue thereof:

- 1) Basic Education Act (628/1998);
- 2) General Upper Secondary Schools Act (629/1998);
- 3) Vocational Education and Training Act (630/1998);
- 4) Vocational Adult Education Act (631/1998);
- 5) Act on Universities of Applied Sciences (932/2014);
- 6) Universities Act (558/2009);
- 7) National Defence University Act (1121/2008);
- 8) Act on the Training Institute for Prison and Probation Services (1316/2006);
- 9) Act on Police University College (1164/2013);
- 10) Act on the Emergency Services College (607/2006).

This Act shall also apply to extensive competence modules comparable with qualifications or other extensive competence modules, the learning outcomes of which are laid down in or by virtue of an act, and which have been specified as professional eligibility or qualifications requirements for working in a profession or position, or which are otherwise related to development of competence and professional skills.

Section 2
Division into reference levels

The qualifications, syllabi and other extensive competence modules referred to herein shall be divided into eight reference levels on the basis of their learning outcomes (*National Framework for Qualifications and Other Competence Modules*).

Further provisions on placement of qualifications, syllabi and other extensive competence modules referred to in section 1 at different reference levels shall be given by Government Decree.

Section 3
Entry into force

This Act enters into force on 1 March 2017.

Helsinki, 10 February 2017

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